

## **ABSTRACT**

The present invention 10 discloses a deep-set paint tray 22 having a cover 24 with a lip 32 positioned on the periphery for engaging the lip 26 of the deep-set paint roller pan 22. The deep-set paint roller pan 22 has a depth on the shallow end exceeding the diameter of a paint roller handle 34 thereby providing means for positioning a paint roller 18 within the tray prior to sealing the cover 24 to the tray. The flexible cover 24 provides means whereby air can be expelled from the interior by pressing on the middle of the cover as the cover is snapped onto the deep-set paint roller pan lip 26. The present invention 10 eliminates the need to clean the pan 22 and the roller 18 intermittently during a painting job. In addition, the pan 22 and roller 18 are more environmentally friendly because the pan and roller do not need to be cleaned since the cover 24 hermetically seals to the deep-set paint roller pan, therefore enabling the paint 14 to be stored with the roller in the tray for extended periods of time.